

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Agriculture is the basic industry in South Dakota, providing either the market or the raw material for almost the entire economy of the state; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota can prosper only as its basic industry has the purchasing power to absorb the goods and services provided by the state's business economy; and

WHEREAS, farm people, through their cooperatives, are able to be more closely related and to have a voice in the marketing of their products; and

WHEREAS, Cooperatives have benefited the entire state by increasing farm buying power, providing farmers with services not previously available to them, substantially increasing employment within the state and increasing the tax base in hundreds of our local communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NILS A. BOE, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby name and designate the month of October, 1965, as

CO-OP MONTH

And urge all South Dakotans to use this month to learn more about South Dakota's agricultural cooperatives and the contribution they make to the welfare of all our citizens.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed on this 17th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-five.

Nils A. Boe
NILS A. BOE, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Alma Larson
ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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